

# 2021 PEPFAR Heroes Awards Nomination Guide

The United States President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) in collaboration with the Zimbabwe National Network of People Living with HIV (ZNNP+) call on you to nominate your fellow Zimbabweans to receive the 2021 PEPFAR Heroes Award for outstanding and meaningful contribution towards the HIV and AIDS response in Zimbabwe for the past 18 years. We will honor the winners as part of World AIDS Day commemorations in December 2021 and the PEPFAR calendar for 2022 will feature their great work. A PEPFAR Hero has made a significant contribution to the improvement of the HIV response in unique and creative ways that:

- Have gone above and beyond the call of duty to create an enabling environment for people living with HIV to easily access health related services;
- Have influenced HIV and AIDS policies and programming to create platforms, opportunities and solutions for the benefit of adolescent girls and boys, young women and men, faith-based communities, key populations and people with disability in an equitable manner.

## **Eligibility**

Nominees must have inspired and influenced HIV related policies and programs for key populations, young people, faith-based entities, the network of people living with HIV, community health workers or individuals who have fought stigma, advocated for improvement of laws and treatment access, ensured safety of key populations and other issues considered important in the response to HIV and AIDS.

#### **Rules for nomination**

To nominate an individual as a hero, use the ZNNP+ *Kutabila* WhatsApp number 0734349479 or, complete the online nomination form on:

https://ee.humanitarianresponse.info/preview/5v4xk1S9. Alternatively, complete and submit a nomination form to; info@znnp.org copying NyakwendeG@state.gov by June 30, 2021. A panel of adjudicators will review the nominations and make the final selection. If approved, you will submit three endorsement letters from three community leaders. The endorsees must personally know the achievements of the nominees.

PEPFAR will announce the winners via the Raramo ine-Tariro nePEPFAR e-Newsletter and the *Kutabila* Platform.

#### **Nominator**

- can nominate one person only
- can-not nominate and endorse a nominee
- must hail from or have worked in the community in question.

## Nominee

- should be nominated based on works done in the community in question
- must be ready to answer questions concerning his/her nomination
- should be willing to submit a concept note and plan of work to be done to improve current intervention within 12 months
- should be willing to feature in the PEPFAR documentary, calendar for 2022 and related outreach activities.

## Adjudication

An adjudication committee comprising of a representative of Civil Society and the Media will pre-approve the nominations as well as select the ultimate winners.

# The Award Scores:

- 50% on jury scores based on information provided during nomination
- 35% endorsement from community
- 15% public online voting based on the nominee's profile and achievements as displayed online.

#### Award:

- Each hero will receive a mini-grant of USD1,000 for the execution and improvement of current work
- The PEPFAR calendar for 2022 and a short documentary will feature the 12 Heroes/Heroines
- Heroes/Heroines will also receive a trophy and certificate of excellence.

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